REMARKS

Claim Amendments

Claim 1 has been amended to include the subject matter of claims 2, 3, and 4 and for clarity. Claim 9 has been amended to include the subject matter of claims 10 and 11, and for clarity. Claim 12 has been amended to include the subject matter of claims 13 and 14 and for clarity. Claims 17 to 19 have been canceled. Claims 20 to 25 are newly added.

Support for these amendments can be found in the specification as originally filed, such as in paragraphs [0043] to [0048]. No new subject matter has been added.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

Prior pending claim 1-19 were rejected under 35 USC 102(a) as being unpatentable over Christy (US 2002/0002452). This rejection is respectfully traversed for the presently pending claims for the following reasons.

Christy describes a network-based language translation system involving content searching which utilizes a "pivot" or intermediate language that is readily translated into any of numerous natural languages. Web users may specify a desired language, and that selection is automatically detected by Web servers, which provide content in accordance therewith.

Christy does not disclose a communications device coupleable for communication in a wireless communications network. There are no teachings directed to a method of translating a portion of a text-based communication to be transmitted from a wireless device, the device being coupleable for communicating in the wireless communications network, and then receiving a translation of only the transmitted portion of the text-based communication, associably stored therein. Each of these elements is found, appropriately worded as needed for each claim, in each presently pending independent claim: 1, 9 and 12. For at least these reasons, each independent claim is not anticipated by

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Christy. As each dependant claim inherits all the elements from the independent claim from which it eventually depends, for at least these same reasons each currently pending dependent is also not anticipated by Christy. Therefore, the Applicant respectfully submits that all the claims presently pending are not anticipated by Christy.

Conclusions

In view of the foregoing, the Applicant respectfully requests allowance of presently pending independent claims 1, 9 and 12, and presently pending dependent claims 5-8, 15, 16, and 20-25. A Notice of Allowance is earnestly solicited.

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